

BOOK NOTICE

A Century of Entomology in the Pacific Northwest. By Melville H. Hatch. University of Washington Press, Seattle, 1949. 9 × 6 inches. V + 43 p. 9 pl. \$1.50

This is a study of the progress of entomology in British Columbia, Washington, Idaho and Oregon involving collectors, exploring expeditions, laboratories, institutions, control work, important insect pests, and insect collections. Dr. Hatch begins with 1834 and outlines the principal entomological happenings, from that time until the present, with particular emphasis upon outstanding individuals, their accomplishments, and their contributions to the science of entomology. The author's interesting and authentic narrative of the development of entomology in the Pacific Northwest is an example of what is needed for other regions of North America and a welcome contribution to the literature on the history of entomology. Dr. Hatch's account concludes with a bibliography, a taxonomic index and an index of names. Entomology, although a comparatively young science, has enough of a historical background for entomologists to be conscious of it and it would not be a bad idea for our two national organizations to work out plans for a comprehensive national history of it.—H. B. W.